

## FORDNEY IS AGAINST ALL RAIL RATE TAX

Would Repeal Levies in the Revenue Revision Bill Now Being Prepared.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.  
New York Herald Bureau, Washington, D. C., July 30.

All transportation taxes should be repealed in the revenue revision bill which Republicans of the House Ways and Means Committee are now writing, Representative Fordney (Mich.) said to-day. He said he would make every effort to have these taxes eliminated. Should the committee decide against him he would seek to have levies reduced by half during the present fiscal year and repealed entirely thereafter. Both freight and passenger taxes should be stricken from the statute books, in Mr. Fordney's opinion.

The majority of the committee apparently desires repeal of transportation taxes because such action would in reality reduce present transportation charges. The demand for revenue is so great, however, that some Representatives feel it will be impossible to repeal the taxes entirely. These levies now are bringing about \$300,000,000 a year into the Treasury and with other reductions that must be made some members feel it

would be unwise to lose all this revenue. The pressure for repeal of the taxes from all over the country is tremendous, however. From farming sections particularly comes the continued cry that the high freight charges are preventing farmers from making fair returns on their property. It is believed also that the repeal of the taxes would bring an increased railroad business that would help the railroads in their efforts to get back on their feet.

"The railroad taxes are directly reflected in everything that people must eat and wear," said Mr. Fordney. "The taxes are added directly to the cost of the goods, of course. The addition of the tax to the already high passenger fares has made travel for many people virtually impossible."

Mr. Fordney said also the committee is considering a new method of continuing the so-called luxury taxes, some of which must be continued. The new plan is based on the Canadian system.

At present the tax on their so-called luxuries applies only to the amount for which the article sells above a certain figure, generally considered to be an average price. The new plan is to make the tax apply to the entire cost of extremely high priced articles.

Mr. Fordney believes this would tend to force the price of many articles down to a tax exempt figure. "People who can afford to pay high prices for articles that can be obtained cheaper can afford to pay a higher tax," he said.

The committee started the preliminary work of writing the revenue bill to-day but virtually no progress was made. It is not expected the bill will be reported to the House for two weeks at least.

Democrats are planning to fight for reduction of the normal income tax in case the surtax rates are reduced.

## U.S. VALUATION PLAN APPROVED BY SMOOT

Utah Senator Believes It Is Only Practical Basis for Tariff Revision.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.  
New York Herald Bureau, Washington, D. C., July 30.

The American valuation of the permanent tariff bill has a firm advocate in Senator Smoot (Utah), member of the Finance Committee. He told THE NEW YORK HERALD to-day that he believes it is the only practical basis for a tariff revision that will give to American industry the protection that it requires against foreign products, especially those from Germany.

"I am in favor of the American valuation plan," Senator Smoot said. "In my judgment it is the only plan I can think of or have been able to work out that will adequately meet the exchange situation in the world and afford the necessary bulwark to American industries. Without it Germany will not only have an advantage in securing our markets but will have an advantage over England, France and every other country with an exchange lower than Germany in securing the American market."

Senator Smoot predicted it would be months before the tariff bill can be presented to the President. The task before the Finance Committee is enormous and will be greatly increased should the House American valuation plan be dis-

carded. Senator Smoot is hopeful, however, that the Finance Committee will conclude to retain it and will do everything he can to achieve that end. Should the valuation section be discarded it will necessitate revision of every ad valorem rate in the House bill, Senator Smoot said, and greatly retard final action.

## UNDERWOOD TAKES HOLIDAY.

Senator Hitchcock Will Act as Minority Leader.

WASHINGTON, July 30.—Senator Underwood of Alabama, Democratic leader, left to-night for a vacation with Mrs. Underwood at a seashore resort.

Mr. Underwood said he understood that no strictly party matters were to come up during his absence. Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska, vice-chairman of the Democratic organization, will act as minority leader during Mr. Underwood's absence.

## PROTECTS AMERICAN KEWPIES.

Decision Puts 35 Per Cent. Duty on Foreign Articles.

WASHINGTON, July 30.—Protection is provided for American kewpies against invasion by their foreign cousins under a decision announced to-night by the Treasury.

Articles of chinaware known as and called kewpies, the decision said, are held dutiable at 35 per cent. under the tariff act of 1913.

## JAPANESE ASKS PLACE.

CHICAGO, July 30.—The first application of a Japanese for membership in the Chicago Board of Trade was announced to-day. The application was filed on behalf of Jinosuke Minami, representing Suzuki & Co., an importing house.

## WANTS BONUS MONEY FOR HULU-HULA GIRLS

Sailor Writes Appeal From Hawaii.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.  
New York Herald Bureau, Albany, July 30.

William O'Donnell, a jolly tar aboard the U. S. S. Baltimore, flagship of the Pacific fleet, now at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, is not so sure that all is right with the world. The hulu hulu girls are not dancing with the old time gusto. In fact they are scarcely dancing. The canny natives, fearing a hard winter, have absolutely refused to come across with the change.

O'Donnell is pretty sure he has a solu-

tion. He has written a letter to Adjutant Gen. J. Leslie Kinkaid, chairman of the Soldiers Bonus Commission, requesting that he get busy and see if some bonus coin can't be shipped overseas in a hurry. He promises that the New York boys on the battleship won't be too careless with the money, but that they believe the traditions of a country should be respected and that Hawaii is not the same old place minus the service of its wriggly dancers.

## CAMPBELL SUCCEEDS ALSBERG.

WASHINGTON, July 30.—Walter C. Campbell, assistant chief of the Agricultural Department's bureau of chemistry, has been appointed acting head of the bureau, it was announced to-day, succeeding Dr. Carl L. Alsberg, who resigned July 15.

## TROOPS ARE CALLED IN PAPER STRIKE

Guard New Camp of International Near Bellows Falls, Vt.

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt., July 30.—Two companies of State troops were sent here to-day to handle disturbances rising from the strike of employees of the

Champlain Realty Company, a subsidiary of the International Paper Company. Shots were fired last night from the North Walpole side of the Connecticut River at a newly erected lumber camp of the company on this side of the river. No one was injured. Both this village and North Walpole, which is in New Hampshire, were quiet to-day. State Guard officers explained the presence of troops as merely a precautionary measure. State Attorney Harold E. Whitney, in charge of the strike area, telephoned Gov. Hartsness late last night, and as the result of his conversation two companies were ordered here, one from Brattleboro and the other from Rutland. Several minor disturbances have occurred since the employees went on strike against proposed wage reductions.

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